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| In re Application of | : | |
| James P. SIEPMANN | : | |
| Application No. 10/691,869 | : | ON PETITION |
| Filed: October 22, 2003 | : | |
| Attorney Docket No. LTI.PAU.02 | : | |

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed June 11, 2010, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to submit the issue fee and publication fee in a timely manner in reply to the Notice of Allowance mailed June 26, 2006, which set a statutory period for reply of three (3) months. Accordingly, by operation of law, the above-identified application became abandoned on September 27, 2006.


The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of payment of the Issue and Publication Fee(s); (2) the petition fee of \$810; and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the Issue and Publication Fee payment is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

It is not apparent whether the person signing the statement of unintentional delay was in a position to have firsthand knowledge of the facts and circumstances of the delay at issue. Nevertheless, such statement is being treated as having been made as the result of a reasonable inquiry into the facts and circumstances of such delay. See 37 CFR 10.18(b) and Changes to Patent Practice and Procedure; Final rule Notice, 62 Fed. Reg. 53131, 53178 (October 10, 1997), 1203 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 63, 103 (October 21, 1997). In the event that such an inquiry has not been made, petitioner must make such an inquiry. If such inquiry results in the discovery that it is not correct that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant of 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional, petitioner must notify the Office.

Application No. 10/691,869

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-7099.

The application file is being referred to the Office of Data Management.



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